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Clark-Shirley Team Presents 95 Express Video at Stafford County Advisory Panel Meeting

Public gets view of HOV/HOT lane operation and enforcement

Lorton, VA -- Today the Clark-Shirley team presented a new eight-minute video detailing their innovative 95 Express multimodal solution for the I-95/I-395 corridor. "We've taken the solutions described in our detailed proposal and translated them into a video," said Michael Post of the Clark-Shirley team. "The video images will allow the public to see how our HOV/HOT lanes system will operate and provide easy to understand answers to questions that have arisen during discussions of HOT lanes as an innovative traffic management tool."

The Clark-Shirley 95 Express video was presented at the first meeting of the Virginia Department of Transportation's PPTA Advisory Panel chaired by Jack Rollison, Special Assistant to the Transportation Commissioner. The Advisory Panel was appointed by the Secretary of Transportation to review the two competing proposals and make a recommendation to the Transportation Commissioner of which plan should be implemented.

"What this video makes clear is that 95 Express is easy to use and enforce, and it also provides many benefits to everyone that uses the 95 corridor," noted Post. "Since submitting our detailed proposal five weeks ago, we have received a number of positive comments from stakeholders regarding our conservative and efficient improvement plan. Because our team is the only one with actual HOT lane experience in the U.S., we understand what it takes to make this project a success."

Highlights of the 95 Express proposal include:

- Adding a third lane to the existing HOV network between Dumfries and Washington D.C.

- Extending the HOV network south towards Fredericksburg including three lanes to Garrisonville/Aquia and 2 lanes to Falmouth
- Constructing additional lanes on I-95 between Route 17 and Route 1 that will be open to all users at no cost
- Adding a southbound two-lane collector-distributor network between Route 17 and Route 3 to benefit local commuters
- Proposal includes construction of Phase 8 of the Springfield Interchange project (freeing up \$85 million previously allocated by VDOT),
- An upfront transit investment of \$30 million for the Virginia Railway Express to use to purchase more rail cars and \$30 million to add more than 2,000 new park and ride spaces for commuters in the corridor
- More than \$500 million will be available through excess toll revenue for transit/transportation improvements
- Extensive team experience including the most experienced HOT lane designers and operators in the United States
- No public funding as the project is 100% privately funded and does not use any Virginia or Federal funds.

The 95 Express solution continues the HOV-3 concept of allowing 3-passenger vehicles, buses and emergency vehicles to travel in the corridor free at all times. Low Occupancy Vehicles (LOVs) with fewer than three (3) passengers will have the option of using the HOV/HOT lanes by paying a toll based on time-of-day pricing. By adding additional lane capacity to the existing HOV network and actively managing prices, a Level of Service C (free-flow) experience will be maintained for HOV and bus transit users.

More information about the 95 Express multimodal solution for the I-95/I-395 corridor and a copy of the video can be found at www.95Express.com.